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Foreign Minister Escobar Serrano reiterated this morning that Ambassador Lima in Washington had instructions "to support US position" in OAS. When I emphasized need to avoid delay and act today, he agreed but said he thought there would still have to be meeting of foreign ministers (under articles 11 and 12 Rio Treaty) to confirm resolution of provisional organ of consultation. I said that meanwhile we would have to take action under resolution (Top Secret) of provisional organ.

Re DEPCIRTEL 700 Foreign Minister had assured me Monday morning that all necessary measures for internal security would be taken. This has been done unostentatiously and so far effectively (EMBTEL 194).

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